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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr FRÜH, Mr BOCKLET, Mr MARCK, Mr HELMS,  
Mr CLINTON, Mr JÜRGENS and Mr McCARTIN

pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure

on measures to restore a balanced milk market



The European Parliament,

- A. concerned over the future of the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP),
  - B. having regard to the persistent and increasing imbalance on the Community milk market,
  - C. having regard to the disastrous situation of the world market for dairy products,
  - D. having regard to the tight financial situation,
  - E. having regard to the need to provide equivalent incentives for the different sectors of agricultural production through the CAP,
1. Calls upon the Commission and Council to draw the necessary conclusions without delay from the debate which has been continuing now for many years over the problems of the milk market in order to restore a balanced market and hold down cost inflation;
  2. Considers that a policy of pressure on prices is not the right way of solving the difficult social, economic and structural problems of dairy farmers;
  3. Rejects any attempts to deprive the existing milk market organization of its real substance by cancelling or temporarily suspending intervention or reducing intervention prices;
  4. Considers that an effective coresponsibility levy with social and regional variations (i.e. taking account of quantities delivered and natural production conditions) is a suitable way of enabling milk producers to participate in efforts to remedy the present difficult situation;
  5. Considers that the revenue accruing from the coresponsibility levy can help to expand the market for dairy products and strengthen food aid

in particular via non-governmental organizations (without impairing food production in the developing countries) without imposing any heavier burdens on the EAGGF;

6. Is of the opinion that a price reduction must be borne by producers in respect of excess production in a given reference period, the level of such a reduction to be based on the cost of disposing of these surpluses, if the coresponsibility levy alone is not sufficient to restore the balance of the markets;
7. Calls for urgent negotiations to find a solution compatible with the GATT provisions to the problem of the constant increases in imports of substitute products in recent years and considers that aid is necessary to permit the diversification of agriculture in the developing countries which is dependent on the production of these substitute products;
8. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission and Council.